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Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal	Application Number Filing Date First Named Inventor Art Unit Examiner Name Attorney Docket Number	10/733,859 December 11, 2003 Gerd HEXELS 1775 Ula Corinna Ruddock LORWER P27AUS
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.
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1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

- a. ☒ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
- i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- ii. ☒ Other Please consider the response filed on March 31, 2006 which responded to the February 8, 2006 final rejection.
- b. ☐ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iv. ☐ Other _____

2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months. Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment of fees, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 04-0213. I HAVE ENCLOSED A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET.

- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$395 enclosed.

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Michael J. Bujold

Date: May 3, 2006
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FEE TRANSMITTAL

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Effective 10/1/2003. Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT: \$395

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METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

☒ Check ☐ Credit card ☐ Money Order ☐ Other ☐ None

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FEE CALCULATION

1. FILING FEE

Large Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Small Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1011	1000	2011	500	Utility filing fee	
1012	430	2012	215	Design filing fee	
1013	660	2013	330	Plant filing fee	
1014	1400	2014	700	Reissue filing fee	
1005	200	2005	100	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) \$-0-

2. CLAIMS

Total Claims	Extra	Fee From Below	Fee Paid
-20*	=	\$ 50 (\$ 25) x	=
Ind. Claims - 3	=	\$200 (\$100) x	=
Multiple Dependent	=	\$360 (\$180) x	=

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Large Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Small Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description
1202	50	2202	25	Claims in excess of 20
1201	200	2201	100	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	360	2203	180	Multiple dependent claim
1204	200	2204	100	**Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	50	2205	25	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

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1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge-late filing fee/oath	
1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge-late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for re-examination	
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	120	2251	60	Ext.for reply w/in 1 mon	
1252	450	2252	225	Ext.for reply w/in 2 mon	
1253	1,020	2253	510	Ext.for reply w/in 3 mon	
1254	1,590	2254	795	Ext.for reply w/in 4 mon	
1255	2,160	2255	1,080	Ext.for reply w/in 5 mon	
1401	500	2401	250	Notice of Appeal	
1402	500	2402	250	Filing a Brief in support of an appeal	
1403	1,000	2403	500	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	500	2452	250	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1,500	2453	750	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	1,400	2501	700	Utility issue fee (for reissue)	
1502	800	2502	400	Design issue fee	
1503	1,100	2503	550	Plant issue fee	
1807	50	1807	50	Petition related to provisional applns.	
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Info.Disclo.Stmt.	
8021	40	8021	40	Recording ea. patent assignment per property (times No.of properties)	
1809	790	2809	395	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1810	790	2810	395	For ea.additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801	790	2801	395	Request for Cont.Exam.(RCE)	
1802	900	1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design appln	

Other fee (specify)

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SUBTOTAL (3) \$395

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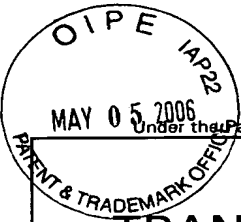
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